FISCAL NOTE

HB 550 - SB 754

April 3, 2007

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires contracting agents to register with the Department of Commerce and Insurance and establishes requirements that contracts between physicians and contracting agents must comply with. Establishes a \$1,000 per day fine against a contracting agent that is not registered with the state.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- The Department of Commerce and Insurance will not incur a significant increase in expenditures for the one-time registration of all contracting agencies.
- The Department is also responsible for enforcing compliance of the contracting entities with registration and other requirements that are proposed in the bill.
- It is estimated that the majority of enforcement of this bill would be through complaints by providers and insurers against such contracting entities and any resulting administrative action against them.
- Any increase in expenditures incurred will be absorbed within existing resources of the Department.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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